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SUBJ: UNITED STATES-ROMANIAN RELATIONS AND THE CEAUSESCU
VISIT
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1. MAIN REASON DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER GLIGA ASKED ME TO MEET
WITH HIM MAY 4, HE SAID, WAS TO EXPRESS THE APPRECIATION OF
THE MINISTRY, AND OF FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI PERSONALLY, FOR
THE EXCELLENT COOPERATION PROVIDED BY THE U.S. MISSION IN
BUCHAREST AND THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE AND DURING THE CEAUSESCU
VISIT.

2. GLIGA ADDED THAT HE FELT THAT THE EXPERIENCE IN BUCHAREST
AND IN WASHINGTON HAS HELPED ROMANIANS AND U.S. DIPLOMATS
TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER, AND THAT THIS EXPERIENCE SHOULD
BE USEFUL IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE IMPORTANT TASKS WHICH
WILL FOLLOW IN OUR CONTINUING COOPERATION, BUILDING ON THE
SUCCESS OF PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU'S MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT
CARTER, THE SECRETARY, AND OTHER SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS.

4. I THANKED GLIGA FOR HIS KIND WORDS, STATED THAT WE RECIPROCATE
THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED, AND ADDED THAT I WOULD BE PLEASED
TO CONVEY HIS MESSAGE TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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5. IN SUBSEQUENT MAY 4 MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR, DEPUTY PRIME
MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE BURTICA SAID THAT PRESI-
DENT CEAUSESCU RETURNED FROM VISIT WITH HIGH IMPRESSION OF U.S.
BURTICA STATED THAT AFTER REVIEW OF VISIT'S RESULTS, DECISION
WAS TAKEN BY PARTY LEADERSHIP TO PUSH AHEAD IN ALL AREAS OF CO-
OPERATION WITH THE U.S. HE ADDED THAT CEAUSESCU WAS APPRECIATIVE OF

MRS. CARTER'S TREATMENT OF MRS. CEAUSESCU AND WAS IMPRESSED WITH CORDIAL RECEPTION GIVEN HIM BY PRESIDENT CARTER, SECRETARY VANCE, OTHER USG OFFICIALS, U.S. BUSINESSMEN, AND BY THE PEOPLE. BURTICA SAID HE REALLY THINKS THAT FOUNDATIONS OF U.S.-ROMANIA WERE SOLIDIFIED FOR LONG TERM; OF COURSE, WE MUST NOW PUT INTO PRACTICE WHAT OCCURRED. HE ADDED THAT IN PUBLISHED POLEXCO STATEMENT (SEE BUCHAREST 2830), TRUE DEPTH OF SINCERE APPRECIATION OF VISIT'S RESULTS COULD NOT BE ADEQUATELY EXPRESSED. BURTICA CLOSED BY SAYING THAT CEAUSESCU'S VISIT WAS A SUPERLATIVE ONE FROM ALL POINTS OF VIEW.

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